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Letter to Philander Chase

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Janeville. Athy. Dec: 23rd
Co. Kildare 1831

Sir

The feelings of a Parent; deprived by the visitation of Providence of a beloved & promising child; will I trust plead my excuse for thus trespassing on your attention.

An indirect account has reached me of the death of my Son Antony Chapman. In the letters I received from him, he spoke in the strongest terms of the high respect he entertained towards you; & of the kindness he had received from you from the time of his arrival at Gambier. Now, altho I understand his affairs have been kindly undertaken by Mr. Mc Elroy, a person in whom I place full confidence, from the esteem & affection my Son

expressed for him; yet I, together with some
friends from whom my poor Son had letters of
introduction would feel much obliged by your
letting me hear from you; whether, on leaving
Gambier for the last time, he had drawn the
whole; or what part of his money which he mentioned
that he had entrusted to your care. Your informing
me on this point & on the few following particulars,
or any others with which you may be acquainted
relative to my Son would be considered by me
as a particular favor. If it has been ascertained
that he had medical aid in his last illness; & of
what nature the disease was, of which he died &
The name of the place & person at whose house
he was & its distance from Gambier. I would
again apologize for thus intruding upon your attention.
I am well assured of your kind benevolence
Wishing the great cause in which you, Sir,

and engaged every success. I remain Sir both
gratitude & respectful esteem.

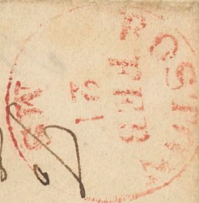
Yours Obligated & Humble Servant

Mary Chapman

Mrs Chapman
Sutton 1831

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